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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

Steven G. Thummel

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Final Office Action mailed February 23, 2005, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on May 23, 2005. This response is submitted on or before two months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action, April 23<sup>rd</sup> being a Saturday.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.